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MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: Sencor, Review of Dermal Absorption Study in Rats

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Action Requested

Review the following study:

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The study is unacceptable in and of itself and the report is also unreviewable.

In this study 14C-Sencor® was dissolved in ethanol and administered dermally to rats. The end use product of Sencor is the most concentrated form of the pesticide to which the applicator is exposed and must be used in a dermal absorption study. This is clearly specified in the EPA "Procedure for Studying Dermal" which is included in the report. A copy of the page from the procedure which was included in the report is attached. The portion referring to the form in which the test material must be applied has been underlined by this reviewer. The dermal absorption of a pesticide is strongly effected by the state in which it is applied to the skin. One can expect a solution of an organic compound in an organic solvent to much more easily penetrate the skin than the same pesticide applied as a dry powder or suspended in water.

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Attachment

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Compound Sencor® (Metribuzin)

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Summary tables

(All values to be means of apropriate groups,
use either one or two tables to present mass
and percent of applied dose where applicable)

Concentrations in dosing solutions Nominal and actual doses (mg/cm²)*

^{*}apply doses as mg/cm2 NOT mg/kg

Dose distribution, for each dose by duration, recovery from application device, in wash fluid, in/on skin, in blood, in carcass, in urine, in feces, in thyroids, total recovered and portion absorbed. (see attached example, Table X)

Individual data tables. (two sets of tables as mass and counts)

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Table Y. Dose distribution, as percent of dose, following a single dermal dose of 0,01 mg/cm2. All values are means of four animals.

Absorbed	Indirect, Direct 2			
	Total	Recovery		
	Carcass			
	Feces			
	Urine			
	Blood			
	Skin			
•	Skin	Wash		
	Application	Device		
	Duration	of	Exposure	(hours)

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1. Dose applied less quantity recovered from application device and skin wash. 2. Total of quantity recovered from skin, blood, carcass, urine and feces.

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